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REPLICATION

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 3, 2003, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which

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begins on page 3 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper. Submitted simultaneously herewith is (i) a Petition for THREE (3) MONTHS Extension of Time with the required fees, (ii) a Request to Correct Inventorship pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.48 seeking to add Victor Shifrin and Svetlana Bergelson as co-inventors accompanied by Declaration of Victor Shifrin (Exhibit A), Declaration of Svetlana Bergelson (Exhibit B), Declaration of Vadim Bichko (Exhibit C), Written Consent of Assignee, Anadys Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Exhibit D; the attached document is not signed, a signed document will be provided shortly - as soon as received from the Assignee), and Assignment from Victor Shifrin and Svetlana Bergelson to Anadys Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Exhibit E) (all attached herein as Tab 1) with the required fees, and (iii) a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO/SB/08A (attached as Tab 2).